

such cities. The location within the city can be decided by Central Government Employees Welfare Coordination Committee operating in that city.

8. Ministry of Urban Development should ensure construction of infrastructural facilities including Samaj Sadan in all the existing Central Government colonies for which land has already been provided for.
9. General pool construction which will be taken up future should be executed alongwith the infrastructural facilities including Samaj Sadan before the occupants move into the houses. The construction of Samaj Sadan like that of shopping complex should be the responsibility of Ministry of Urban Development whereas functioning of Samaj Sadan would continue with the Department of Personnel and Training.
10. In order to maintain healthy atmosphere, the activities of Samaj Sadans should not be mixed up with the activities like CCHS dispensaries and Kendriya Bhandar/Cooperative Stores. The outlet of Kendriya Bhandar should find place in the shopping complex, instead of the Samaj Sadans, in the colonies. These activities are not at all desirable in the Samaj Sadans.

Retreat of District Collectors and Superintendents of Police

2646. **SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS** : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

- (a) whether a meeting of District collectors and Superintendents of Police was held recently at Hyderabad;
- (b) if so, the details alongwith recommendations thereof;
- (c) whether the meet has also suggested some steps to tone up the administration;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONYAN) : (a) to (e) A Retreat of selected Collectors and Superintendents of Police was organised by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad from 6-8 January, 1997, in collaboration with Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie.

2. The three main issues which were discussed at the Retreat were: Effective and Responsive Administration, Cleansing the Civil Services and Adherence to Rule of Law and Constitution.

3. The main recommendations of the meet are as under :

(i) Effective and Responsive Administration

- (a) Transparency in administration.
- (b) Administration to repose more faith in citizens (delaying)
- (c) Effective decision-making
- (d) To take steps for responsive administration by prescribing time limits
- (e) Publishing procedures in simple language
- (f) Notifying Mission Statement, improving internal administration by computerisation and grievance redressal.

(ii) Cleansing the Civil Services

- (a) To ensure the functioning of internal vigilance for prevention of corruption in Civil Services.
- (b) To strengthen self-regulatory mechanisms within the Department.
- (c) Statutory functional autonomy to CBI and Anti-Corruption Bureaus.
- (d) To adopt Code of Ethics (for Civil Servants)
- (e) A separate examination for each civil service.
- (f) Fixed tenure for Director General of Police, Chief Secretary and Cabinet Secretary.
- (g) To encourage deputation of officers to non-government organisations/private sectors.

(iii) Adherence to Rule of Law and Constitution

- (a) An Apex body in each State and at the Centre for regular and periodical review of various laws and enactments.
- (b) Code of Conduct for governing the relationship/interaction between the civil servants and political representatives.
- (c) No discretion at any level of the Government to decide the withdrawal of a criminal case.
- (d) To bar civil servants from contesting elections or seeking membership or office of some non-governmental bodies.
- (e) Security of tenure to all civil servants.
- (f) Equity in the minimum standards and level of perks attached to all posts.

4. The Retreat of Collectors and Superintendents of Police organised at Hyderabad was a part of the National Debate on an agenda for Effective and Responsive Administration initiated by the Government. The recommendations made at the Retreat will be taken into account, while finalising the Action Plan on this subject, which is proposed to be placed before a Conference of Chief Ministers.